

HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 873
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A RESOLUTION to honor and congratulate Cassidy Lovelace, on her selection as Elementary School Teacher of the Year by the Williamson County School System.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to specially recognize those outstanding teachers who have devoted their careers to providing the highest quality education for Tennessee's students; and

WHEREAS, Cassidy Lovelace is one such estimable educator, who has distinguished herself as a professional of the greatest dedication, ability, and integrity; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lovelace has recently been selected Elementary School Teacher of the Year by Williamson County Schools, an honor most befitting her outstanding tenure as a teacher as it recognizes the positive influence she has had on so many young lives; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lovelace has served with acumen and alacrity as an elementary school teacher at Centennial Elementary School and Fairview Elementary School for a total of seven years; and

WHEREAS, she attended the University of Tennessee – Martin and Austin Peay State University, and she received her Bachelor of Science degree in Interdisciplinary Studies from Austin Peay State University; she has also received her Tennessee K-8 certification, and she is currently researching and preparing for graduate studies in Elementary Literacy; and

WHEREAS, participating in numerous professional development programs, Cassidy Lovelace has served on the County-Wide Professional Development Planning Team and presented Writer's Workshop Sessions; she has also been a Teacher Leader, Professional Development Building Coordinator, Leadership Team Member, Enrichment Club Teacher and

Consultant, ArtSmart Teacher and Media Coordinator, School Improvement Plan Team Leader, Yearbook Supervisor, New Teacher Mentor, and Student Teacher Supervisor; and

WHEREAS, not content to leave her most important work in the classroom, she is an active member of numerous professional associations, including the International Reading Association, the Williamson County Education Association, and the Parent Teacher Organization of Fairview Elementary School; and

WHEREAS, no stranger to honors and accolades, Cassidy Lovelace received a Certificate of Recognition from Fairview Elementary School's Parent Teacher Organization for her tireless commitment to the youth of the State of Tennessee; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lovelace is an extremely talented and compassionate educator who works assiduously to motivate her students to reach their full potential, in both academics and community service; and

WHEREAS, committed to community service and helping the less fortunate, Ms. Lovelace has organized canned food drives, raised money for the American Red Cross, and assembled care packages for children affected by Hurricane Katrina; and

WHEREAS, a devout Christian, Cassidy Lovelace is a faithful member of Bellevue Community Church, serving as a Sunday school teacher and contributing to the Toys for Tots collection; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Lovelace truly serves as an inspiration to her colleagues and students alike, and her friendship and counsel are highly valued by those who are fortunate to know her; and

WHEREAS, Cassidy Lovelace truly epitomizes the ideal of the dedicated teacher who is wholly committed to the highest ideals of public service and quality education for all, and she should be specially recognized; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED FOURTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, that we hereby honor and congratulate Cassidy Lovelace upon being named the Elementary School Teacher of the Year by the Williamson County School System,

commend her exceptional service to the children of Tennessee, salute her professional expertise and personal excellence, and wish her all the best in her future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.